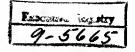
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Dear Allen:

The Bureau of Far Eastern Affairs plans to hold its annual Chiefs of Mission Conference this year at Taipei for four days beginning September 16. As you are probably aware, the purpose of these annual conferences is to provide a forum where the Far East Chiefs of Mission may discuss freely with each other as well as with Bureau representatives from Washington major problems affecting our Far Eastern policies.

I very much hope that you will again find it useful this year to designate an observer from your Agency to attend the conference. Your representative will be most welcome, and I am sure that most of the items under discussion will be of decided interest to CIA. Budgetary considerations, however, do not permit the Department to defray travel expenses of your representative.

In the event you decide to send such an observer to the conference, it would be appreciated if you could provide me, as soon as possible, with the name of the person so designated.

Sincerely yours,

Walter S. Robertson Assistant Secretary

The Honorable Allen Dulles, Director, Central Intelligence Agency.

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MEMORANDUM FOR: Mr. Dulles

learned from State this morning that this conference probably will be postponed until March of next year because of the number of recent personnel changes in the area.

He will learn definitely what will be done the first part of next week and suggests that you not reply to this until then.

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